

In the Claims:

We claim:

1. A web content downloading method for a network kiosk comprising the steps of:

(a) determining a number of web content addresses and corresponding download times; and

(b) downloading and storing web content at the web content addresses at the download times by the kiosk, before the kiosk displays any of the web content.'

2. A web content downloading method for a network kiosk comprising the steps of:

(a) determining a number of web content addresses and corresponding download times which are after kiosk operating hours; and

(b) downloading and storing web content at the web content addresses at the download times by the kiosk, before the kiosk operating hours.

3. A web content downloading method for a network kiosk comprising the steps of:

(a) storing a list of web content addresses and corresponding download time criteria;

(b) comparing a current time with the download times;

(c) determining first download times which are after the current time; and

(b) downloading and storing web content at first web content addresses corresponding to the first download times in the list by the kiosk, before the kiosk displays any of the web content.

4. A method of displaying a web page comprising the steps of:

- (a) storing a list of web content addresses and corresponding download time criteria;
- (b) comparing a current time with the download times;
- (c) determining first download times which are after the current time;
- (d) downloading and storing web content at first web content addresses corresponding to the first download times in the list in a storage medium by the kiosk, before the kiosk displays any of the web content;
- (e) recording an address of the web page by the kiosk;
- (f) reading first web content identified in the web page which is located in the storage medium by the kiosk; and
- (g) displaying the web page with the first web content.

5. A network kiosk comprising:

a display; and

a computer which determines a number of web content addresses and corresponding download times, and downloads and stores web content at the web content addresses at the download times, before the computer displays any of the web content on the display.

6. A network kiosk comprising:

a storage medium;

a display; and

a computer which stores a list of web content addresses and corresponding download time criteria in the storage medium, compares a current time with the download times, determines first download times which are after the current time, and downloads and stores web content at first web content addresses corresponding to the first download times in the list by the kiosk, before the computer displays any of the web content on the display.